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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 FOR WEEK ENDING 20-Jul-02 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 07/20/02	PREVIOUS WEEK 07/13/02
BRO-FRY	164,653	169,833
LT HENS	1,731	1,960
HVY HENS	1,845	1,667

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
 WEEKS ENDING 13-Jul-02 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	253	27	280
LAST WEEK	208	4	212
SAME WK YR AGO	490	4	494
TO DATE 2002	8,869	69	8,938
TO DATE 2001	13,540	196	13,736

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SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,751	1,445	3,196
LAST WEEK	1,345	1,041	2,386
SAME WK YR AGO	2,175	1,646	3,821
TO DATE 2002	58,579	37,457	96,036
TO DATE 2001	63,462	38,089	101,551

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 WEEK ENDING 13-Jul-02 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	158,616 (A)	1,498	1,418	2,916
AVG WT	5.03	3.39	7.95	5.61
LAST WEEK	136,949	1,137	1,037	2,174
SAME WEEK YR AGO	158,097	1,685	1,642	3,327
AVG WT	5.06	4.12	8.32	6.19
TO-DATE/2002	4,315,575	49,710	37,388	87,098
TO-DATE/2001	4,268,621	49,922	37,893	87,815

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 161.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 160.5 million head or -1.1 million head less than or 99% percent of estimated fryers available.

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**YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING July 06, 2002**

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
HEAD	21,268	16,101	27,627
AVG WEIGHT	3.73	4.89	6.08
% OF TOTAL /1	33%	25%	43%
COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	27,674	23,555	43,071
AVG WEIGHT	3.61	4.74	6.13
% OF TOTAL /1	29%	25%	46%
SAME WEEK, YR AGO /2	33,503	24,570	37,598
AVG WEIGHT	3.84	4.84	6.02
% OF TOTAL /1	35%	26%	39%
TO DATE/2002	774,949	652,464	1,247,785
TO DATE/2001	876,730	703,220	1,212,349

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 13-Jul-02
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,836	2,950	69	19	4,874
AVG WT	15.51	35.54	23.99	27.26	27.80
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS					
LAST WEEK	1,467	2,256	53	4	3,780
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,013	2,808	65	15	4,901
AVG WT	16.51	33.83	23.77	25.88	26.56
TO-DATE/2002	50,380	74,588	1,330	228	126,526
TO-DATE/2001	55,737	74,545	1,084	324	131,690

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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